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BRIEF NEWS ITEMS OF THE PENINSULA

Full of stab wounds, William Widgeons colored, is at Delaware Hospital, Wilmington, but says he does not know who cut him.

Martha Saunders, colored, who soaked her clothing with oil and was badly burned Friday night, died Monday in Wilmington.

Surveys for the duPont Boulevard have been completed as far north as Odessa, three miles from Middletown, New Castle county.

After Milford Council tried vainly for years to stop the raising of hogs in the town limits, cholera accomplished the desired result.

A burglar who entered the general store of Albert J, Lank & Brothers at Seaford who was scared away by officers before he could remove his plunder.

D. M. Wilson and A. B. Richardson, of Dover, and Mr. Reed, of near Milford, shot 93 ducks and one wild goose in two days' gunning near Milford.

Alfred Lloyd, of Wilmington, was cut about the arm and body when a trolley car collided with the wagon in which he was riding and threw him into the street.

Sam Prettyman, a Lewes fisherman, caught 100 sea trout averaging from one to two pounds and 150 pounds of black fish in a half day's fishing at the Breakwater.

Because last winter he operated at a loss the only electric lighting plant at Rehoboth Beach, the owner closed the plant Sunday night, despite the grumbling of residents.

Judge William H. Boyce who has been at the University Hospital, Philadelphia, for a month, suffering from indigestion, expects to return to his Dover home within a few days.

Professor Harry Hayward, director of the State Farm, will represent Delaware College in the intercollegiate dairy judging contest at the National Dairy Show in Chicago this week.

Bystanders saved Dr. James Chipman and a party of friends when their auto stranded on Georgetown's main street crossing, by pushing the car from in front of an oncoming train.

For the first time in the recollection of the oldest inhabitant two brothers have been drawn on the same panel of jurors for the November term of Court—Edward and Walter Burris of Red Lion.

Arthur Wise, a former operator for the Pennsylvania Railroad at New Castle, has been appointed to fill the vacancy at the station, caused by the promotion of Leslie Cramer to stationmaster at Stockley, Del.

Charles Warrington, aged 20 years, of Seaford is under arrest in Wilmington, on a charge of obtaining money by false pretensee, by selling photographs in the name of a studio by which he was not employed.

For having flourished a revolver at Miss Bessie Short, of Bridgeville, while she was substituting on her father's rural mail route last September, Issac F. Messick was reprimanded when arraigned before Federal Court.

Rev. D. Wilmot Gateson, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Georgetown, has been presented with a motorcycle by the Missionary Educational Committee of the Diocese of Delaware for use in his mission world.

The prevalence of hog cholera in many parts of the state this year, has called attention anew to the necessity of keeping hog pens in a sanitary condition and also the necessity of burying the carcasses of all hogs that die of this disease.

Falling from a heavily loaded wagon which he was driving, Philip Dougherty, aged 55 years, of Chester, employed as a farm hand by Joseph L. Hanby, of Carpenter Station, was instantly killed Monday afternoon. The accident occurred some distance from Hanby's home. Coroner Chandler was notified and he removed the body to the morgue in this city.

Misses His Living Target

Standing in front of his saloon at No. 211 East Front street in Wilmington Saturday night, Lawrence A. Mullin narrowly escaped death when Leonard Campbell, aged 18 years stood about five feet away and fired two shots from a revolver at him. Both bullets went wide of their mark, Campbell's aim being unsteady because of his condition, and Mullin ran into the building before others could be fired. Campbell was arrested for murderous assault. Earlier in the evening, when Campbell entered the saloon and asked for a drink, Mullin refused him because of his age and because he was under the influence of liquor. Campbell, it is said, threatened to "fix" Mullin and left. When he returned he opened fire, without warning, one bullet striking the wall within a few inches of Mullin's head.

Teachers' Institute

There will be no joint Teachers' Institutes held in Dover this year, but the institute of the colored school teachers will be held in Dover at the same time as that of the Kent County Teachers' Institute under Superintendent Carroll. Dr. Carroll will also superintend the colored institute. The three days session will give school children a holiday all of Thanksgiving week. The actual session will be November 27, 28 and 29.

USEFUL THINGS TO KNOW

A pinch of salt will make the white of an egg beat quicker.

Sunflower seeds make better bait for the mouse-trap than cheese.

Equal parts of milk and luke-warm water are excellent for sponging palms.

A pinch of borax in cooked starch make the clothes stiffer and whiter.

It is better to wipe off mesh with a wet cloth than to let water run over it.

Dried lemon peel sprinkled over coals will destroy any disagreeable odor in the house.

A bread pudding may be deliciously flavored by a few slices of candied orange peal.

To place ferns upon the window sill means their death, as they cannot live in in a cold draft.

When blowing out a candle hold it high and blow upward to keep the grease from running.

Hot biscuits, generously buttered and spread with currant jelly, are delicious served with game.

A better iron rest than the ordinary metal stand is a firebrick, as it does not cool the iron so rapidly.

Wafer-like slices of bread spread with caviare sprinkled with lemon juice and salt make tasty sandwitches.

Use paraffin paper which lines biscuit boxes to polish flatirons: it is also a good lining for the cake tins.

For spring suppers sliced oranges and shredded cocoanut, put into a dish in alternate layers, is very appetizing.

Clean copper by rubbing it with lemon dipped in salt. Rinse in clear hot water and polish with a soft cloth.

Banging the oven door is responsible for half the heavy bread and cake. The door should be closed very gently.

A delicious jelly is made of gelatine, flavored with grape juice and served with blanched nuts and whipped cream.

Shredded chocolate cocoanut, which is bought already prepared, makes a tasty addition to different kinds of salad.

Lace washed in skimmed milk should not be washed in water, but should be ironed while still damp with the milk.

Macaroni prepared in any of the various ways in combination with cheese, butter and tomatoes, is very nourishing.

If fancy-shaped croutons are used for garnishing, touch the under side with white of egg. They will then stay in place.

An old toothbrush or nailbrush is excellent for cleaning silver, but the final polishing should be done with chamois-skin.

A few tiny pieces of lemon rind added to a cream sauce for oysters, fish or lobster gives a decidedly piquant and tasty flavor.

Washing soda should not be used upon china, as it will take off the gilt. Try clear hot water, but not hot enough to crack the china.

The stale macaroons mixed with stiffy whipped cream and sprinkled with pistachio nuts, makes an easily improvised dessert.

Combs will soon warm and break if washed with water. They should be cleaned with a good, stiff, dry toothbrush or nailbrush.

A few drops of parafine added to the shoe blacking will impart a good polish to damp shoes, and also helps to preserve the leseher.

Meat loaf or chopped veal or beef can be made more moist if three or four tablespoons of cream are added just before baking.

Few skins can stand glycerine, and it should never be used without being diluted. Otherwise, the skin will become dry and parched.

A variety may be secured by baking potatoes with a slice of bacon inside. The bacon is put into a hole made by an applecorer.

A French dainty possible from canned foods is sliced Goose liver served on lettuce with either French dressing or mayonnaise.

When running dates, figs or raisns through the food-chooper add a few drops of lemon juice to prevent the fruit from clogging the chopper.

The spicy morning of the autumn makes one feel like eating a hearty breakfast. We will have the luscious grape for some time yet and pears and apples are in their prime.

In many homes cereals, that is, the cooked ones, are never served at all, because of the difficulty of getting it cooked properly. The inscription on the box generally reads, "Cook twenty minutes". This should be multiplied by eight to have a digestible and well-cooked food.

For those who possess a fireless cooker, the problem is solved, for the cereal may boil twenty minutes, then put it into the cooker and leave over night. Reheat, and it is ready for the most delicate stomach.

A bit of bacon is always appetizing for a cool morning breakfast, and with an egg and a piece of well-toasted bread or a muffin or two, grown-ups will be able to worry along until dinner time.

Cocoa is a good drink for children occasionally, but too much is bad for the digestion. A glass of warm milk is easier digested than cold and on a cool morning it is very satisfactory.

An occasional morning of griddle cakes is appreciated and waffles once in a while go well these cool days, but it is yet a little early to eat much of such food.

For those who have no cooker, either home-made or manufactured, it is the custom to set the cereal cooking in a double boiler and allow it to cook all during the dinner hour. Then cover closely and set away to be reheated in the morning. Well-cooked cereal with good rich cream makes a sufficient meal for the growing child and will have sufficient staying power to keep the little ones from getting hungry before noon.

Have everything labeled for no memory is good for several months, and it saves many disappointments in opening the wrong jar.

CONSIDERS DRAINAGE

The United States Department of Agriculture has established an office at Easton Md., where a drainage engineer is located to lookafter drainage problems in Maryland and Delaware. He will answer questions received through the mail regarding ditches and tile drains. Drainage plans will be examined, and changes suggested if required. Requests for assistance in locating drains on the ground will be granted as far as possible. In some cases only a preliminary survey will be made which will consist in telling the farmer where to make them, and rough estimate of cost will be supplied.

In other cases, when warrant it, a complete survey will be made. This will consist in staking out the lines on the ground and setting grades with a level. The fall in the ditch will then be a certainty if cut to plans, and will not depend on the grade given the ditch by the ditches. A map is made which shows the location of drains with respect to fences, roads, and buildings. A copy of the map is submitted to the farmer with the report. The report is written after the survey is completed and describes the system of drains in detail, gives an estimate of cost, and a table of cuts necessary to get the desired grade. The Government cannot do a great deal of staking out in one locality as it is necessary to spread the examples in order that the greatest territory possible be covered. Each project is taken up with the idea that it will serve as an example to the neighboring farmers and illustrate to them the benefits of drainage.

Of course if a man's outlet is bad, and the success of the system doubtful the fact is stated and the matter dropped. There is seldom any great trouble from cases which seem impossible it being the work of the engineers to find solutions for difficult problems.

The farmer is expected to supply the engineer with subsistance while working on his farm; and he is also expected to supply what unskilled help is necessary in laying out the work. One man to hold the rod is required practically the entire time during the survey, and another is needed, for a small part of the time to drive stakes. On larger work where open ditches are run through woods the local parties are some times required to supply axmen. The Federal Goverment does not undertake any part of the construction, but will sometimes assist local parties by supplying a little superintendence. This latter work is done in order that the carrying out of the plans by the contractor be made a certainty.

It is expected that a drainage law will be introduced at the next regular session of the Maryland Legislature. Under the provisions of this new law it will be possible for the people to co-operate to the fullest extent in digging large outlet ditches. The land benefited is formed into a drainage district and the owners elect three drainage commissioners to represent them. These commissioners will have power to bond the district to pay for the work, and will pay the installments of principal on the bonds as they come due. It is customary to have the first installment come due in three years, and the bonds to be paid up with interest in ten yearly payments. This will enable the people to receive some benefit from the work before all the installments are paid. It is expected that with the help of this law much larger projects will be undertaken than have heretofore attempted, and the extent of the breeding places of mosquitoes will be much reduced, resulting in increased healthfulness in the locality where drainage work is taken up.

Will Not Share Road

Some complaint has come regarding the giving of hail the road in case of an automobile coming up behind a team. The parties claim that when they come up behind a fellow with a team he stubbornly refuses to give any of the road, no matter if there is plenty of room to turn out. Now the law recognizes the rights of both the man with the team and the man with the auto and these rights should be respected. There are plenty of men who are running autos who should be driving ox teams and vice versa, but all men should be treated that way. The law says that when a man is overtaken by a faster vehicle, the man driving the slower vehicle shall turn out and give half of the beaten path.

Blackbird Hundred Democrats

At the Democratic massmeeting held in the fifteenth Representative district last week George C. Rothwell was re-elected a member of the New Castle county executive committee. The election of a district committee was deferred till a subsequent meeting. The Fifteenth Representative district comprises Blackbird hundred.

FARM NEWS AND VIEWS

Get some pure bred stock.

It pays to spray intelligently.

Keep the lambs growing all the time.

Nexer mix warm cream with cold cream.

Feed corn very carefully to the pigs in hot weather.

The needs of the good dairy cow must be studied.

Keep fewer sheep better sheep and give them better care.

Bran is good for both growing chicks and laying hens.

It certainly pays to keep a big quiet flock of good fowls.

Seeds of maple trees have been known to germinate in ice.

Oats are frequently seeded with Canada field peas for forage.

Clover and skim milk are almost indispensable in the ration of the growing pig.

Boards should be used for bleaching early celery. Soil is apt to cause it to decay.

Artificial heat in the hog pen is not necessary. Freedom from drafts is better.

Every farmer should have a piece of rape to turn the sheep on when the pastures fail.

A hog could be starved to eat almost anything; but seldom does well on spoiled food.

A side line of dairying that helps out is to have plenty of pigs to eat the skim milk.

Young chickens should not be cooped on land that was occupied by chickens last year.

An accessible supply of pure, cold water should always be available for the dairy herd.

Different kinds of milk animals differ greatly as to the fat and solid contents of the milk.

Rape is commonly sown either broadcast or in rows about 30 inches apart and cultivated.

Plenty of hot water must be used in keeping the dairy utensils clean during the hot weather.

The best authorities give the weight of one gallon of milk of average composition as 8.6 pounds.

The silo is now a necessity, and you must have one, too.

The levelness with which a horse walks is one of the best evidences that his legs work in harmony.

Roughage for calves should first be fed at two or three weeks of age, when the calf begins to eat grain.

Steel silos are growing in favor, and seemingly do not hold the frost any more or even as much as the cement ones.

Contrary to popular belief more chickens die from June until September than in all the rest of the year.

Do not hurry the mare that is with colt when she is eating. She ought to have plenty of time to chew her food well.

The cold storage man makes better prices for the dairyman and poultryman until the cold storage man is "busted".

The milk should be strained through one thickness of clean white flannel and then should be quickly cooled and well aired.

If a ewe keeps her lamb in fine fat condition up to the time of weaning be sure she is a good mother, and keep her.

A silo saves labor, as with it you can feed more stock in much less time than by any other means and do it much easier.

When a hog reaches 200 pounds in weight it requires extra good care and an expert feeder to continue to lay on flesh of a profit.

Some people claim that a hog is a scavenger by nature, but he certainly thrives better on clean feed and decent surroundings.

Get a hand separator.

Don't forget the road drag.

Aren't well painted buildings a good sign?

It is unwise and wasteful to stuff a horse with hay.

Salt regularly twice a week is better than once,

Just as soon as the cream is separated it should be cooled.

The potatoes can be greatly improved by selecting the seed.

Drench the ground around the roses but do not spray the bush.

Do not neglect to spray the orchard trees and bushes this year.

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STOOL—PIGEON POLITICS

One of the saddest spectacles in the corrupt politics of our day, is that of a respectable, aforetime honest man of some repute, lured away from virtue by the bait of office, lending his name and character to serve the degrading purpose of a stalking-horse for thieves and politicians!

Such is the shameful exhibit Mr. Earle is now making in the Philadelphia mayority contest—the candidate of the contractor bosses that have robbed that city of many millions. A few weeks ago in the primaries, he was denouncing the contractor misrule and robbery, shouting "down with the Vares" now he disgracefully eats his own words, and forms a compact with those same robber Vares!

The hippodrome fight between the two contractor bosses, McNichol, and the Vares, has ended by a pooling of their interests to defeat the reform candidate Blankenburg, and then divide the contract spoils between them.

Anybody but a fool could see that any "reform" or promise of an honest conduct of public affairs, headed by a McNichol on the one hand, or the Vares on the other, with a Penrose cunningly juggling the fake contest to fool the voters, could only end as it began—in fraud.

The Penrose—McNichol gang used the same gudgeon bait of a respectable citizen to head their villainous schemes a few years ago in the state election when they named Mr. Stuart for governor and won—his good name dragging the rest of the rascally ticket on to victory. So they are seeking to do once more with this mounte bank Earle willing to.

"Sell the mighty space of his large honors,
For so much trash as may be grasped thus!"

EXIT DR. COOK

Those queer Danes! About two years ago at Copenhagen the King, the Queen and all the populace, turned out to mob that colossal Arctic liar, Dr. Frederick A. Cook, with garlands and eulogy, when he merely prated about an imaginary "Big Needle."

The other day, when in the same city he showed them an authentic photo of the true pole, and maybe exhibited a splinter or two of it, they mobbed him with stale eggs and curses. The hyperborean fakir then made an inglorious exit through the back door.

To be frank, we wish we might have been there to add our humble contribution of a very overripe sample of hen fruit, bestowed just where the cheeky doctor would both taste and smell it.

SWAPPING BOUQUETS

"Mr. Taft is quite satisfactory to me, and I hope to see him re-elected," remarked Senator (?) Lorimer, the other day, as he tossed his boodle-bought robe across his arm.

Sometime before Mr. Lorrimer's coin purchase of his seat in the Senate, Mr. Taft had remarked that "Lorimer would be satisfactory to him and he (Taft) wished he (Lorimer) might be chosen."

So there you are, a loving pair of brothers swapping bouquets! In the words of Holy Writ "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."

Robin Hood of Pennsylvania

In *The North American* of Sunday, October 29, there will appear a story basted upon the life of one of the most interesting characters in Pennsylvania criminal Listory.

This man, "Lewis the Robber", held the state in terror in the early part of the nineteenth century. Yet occasionally he paused in the pursuit of his nefarious business of counterfeiting and highway robbery, cheating when the opportunity presented itself, to fill the role of devoted father and friend of the poor and distressed.

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DELAWARE COLLEGE BUDGET

NEWARK, Del., Oct. 26, 1911.

The Agricultural Club of Delaware College held its first meeting of the term last Monday evening under the supervision of President Hill. A brief history of the club was given and the work for the coming year was roughly outlined.

The object of this club is to give the students information that they do not get in the class room and to accustom them to speak before an audience on agricultural subjects. At each meeting, three or four students will give talks on subjects that are of immediate interest. The club will be frequently addressed by some one of the professors and occasional debates will be held. The latter seem to appeal very strongly to the majority of the members ann it is hoped the club will be able to hold a public debate, on a current subject, sometime during the winter. Especial mention was made of publishing an agricultural paper. There is no farmers' paper published in Delaware and it is thought that within a year or two the club will be able to edit one of practical value to the Delaware farmer.

Despite the fact that there were but few members, the club has been in the past very interesting, lively and profitable With a membership of more than double that of last year, an unusually successful future is expected.

Professor Huyward, last week, anounced that he had chosen the following students to represent Delaware College in the Student C ttle Sudging contest to be held at Chicago; Hill ('12) of Mass., Walker ('19) of Vermont, and Shalleross('14), of Middletown, Del., Saturday the team went to Pomeroy to judge a herd of Guernseys and also to New Castle to judge a herd of Holsteins, Tuesday they went to Wilmington to judge the large herd owned by Col. DuPont. Wednesday at 11 A. M. they left for Chicago, where they hope to win distinction.

Saturday, October 21st the Delaware football team defeated the Washington College team by a score of 24 to 0. Although it rained the greater part of the game, there was a fairly large crowd of supporters presend to cheer the Blue and Gold on to victory. Ennis, Handy and Taylor were the stars of the game; Ennis, as usual, was the reliable ground gainer.

Delawwre is scheduled to play four more games this season: Oct. 28, Muhlenburg at Allentown; Nov. 4, Western Maryland at Westminister; Nov. 11, Open; Nov. 18, Gettysburg at Gettysburg; Nov. 25, Dickinson at Newark. With the team going at its present rate, there is no reason why it should not win all of these games.

Sunday evening, the Young Men's Chrisgian Association of the college had charge of the services at the M. E. Church. The meeting proved very interesting and profitable not only to the members of the Association but also to the usual congregation.

Dr. Robin of Wilmington visited the college last week and gave a vesy comprehensive lecture on "The Pitfalls of Youth.

A pay-in-the-slot telephone has been installed in the dormitories. Half the expenses were paid by the college and half by the students rooming in the dormitories.

Hisler ('11), was a coll ge visiter on Monday.

Bice ('10), the old Delaware quarter back, was on hand Saturday to witness the Washington College game. In his opinion, Delaware has a better team this year than she has had for a long time.

Tinney ('07) an instructor at Charlotte Hall, near Baltimore, visited the college on Tuesday.

Paul Emerson (75) was absent from recitations two days last week suffering from blood poison caused by a scratch on his little finger.—STUDENT OF AGRICULTURE.

PORT PENN

McCoy Yearsley visited his friend at Harrington on Sunday.

Harry Hanse, of West Chester, Pa., was in town one day last week.

Earl Daton spent Sunday with his sister Mrs. Albert Naylor, of Camden.

Albert Eaton is spending some time with Richard Wilson and family, at New port.

Albert Bendler and wife spent Sunday with their son Chris Bendler and wife at Delaware City.

Mrs. George E. Sterling, of Pittsville, Md., is visiting her mother Mrs. Emma Bendler who is quiet ill.

Mrs. Elsie Fisher, and daughter Miss Lillian, are spending this week with her sister Mrs. Clyde Lingo, in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Ethel Yearsley who had been acting as bookkeeper in the store of Harry Lowe at Newport, is home for an indefinate period.

Teachers Misses Beulah Dawes and Emyra Dawson, of Philadelphia and Camden, have resumed their duties after spending two weeks at home.

Roy Zacheis and wife spent two days of last week with Mrs. Zacheis parents John Kelly and wife, of Wilmington, on their return they were accompanied by Mr. Kelly who spent Sunday with John Wallen and wife.

We are glad to hear of the improved condition of Mrs. Earl Cross who was taken sick while visiting her aunt Mrs. John Wallen, and has been confined to her bed for several weeks. Mrs. Cross is from Martinsburg, West Va.

The Ladies' of P.O. S. of A. will hold a masquerade dance in the P.O.S. of A. Hall Tuesday evening, October 31. Admission 10 cents. Ice Cream and cake for sale. Everybody come and enjoy the fun. Please mask as there will be given two prizes one for the best dressed and one for the most comic.

BLACKBIRD

Mr. Bobb, of Philadelphia, spent over Sunday at his farm near here.

Miss Wilimina Mannering, of Blackbird Station, spent Sunday with Miss Georgie Farries.

Miss Edith Gibbons, of Fleming Landing spent last Thursday with Mrs. William ...nemore.

...and Mrs. John Rawley and children ...Saturday with her parents Mr. and ...nder, in Clayton.

...al services started Monday night ...E. Church and continue every ...the week at 7.30 o'clock.

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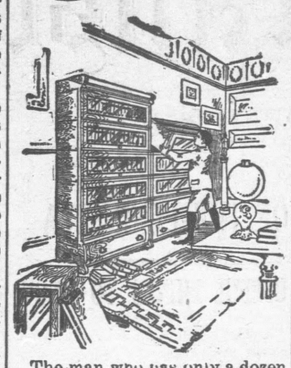

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Price $20 if taken at once.
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MAGNIFICENT PROGRAM FOR
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"THE HONOR OF THE FLAG" By Melies
This picture is produced in Texas with actual scenes of U. S. Army Life on the border.
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"THE CRUSADE OF THE TEMPLARS, OR THE BLIND QUEEN" By Gaumont
This is one of the finest and most interesting colored picture I have yet exhibited.
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Nothing but fun throughout.
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Pictures of The Austin Flood Nov. 21, 1911. Pictures of the Worlds Seriee" Athletics vs N. Y. Giants Monday night ONLY Nov. 13th, 1911.
First Exhibition starts at 7.30 P. M.
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Adult, Admission 10 cents. Children under 12 years of age, 5 cents
Gallery reserved for Colored Patrons
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We beg to announce the opening of our Tailoring Shop, carried on with a full line of Fall and Winter Woolens. First-class Suits made to order at possible prices. Also Cleaning, Dyeing, Scouring, Repairing and Pressing done neatly on Ladies' and Gents' Garments.
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NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS
—OF—
St. Georges Hundred!
The taxable residents of St. Georges Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1911 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be at
A. G. COX'S OFFICE, MIDDLETOWN
SATURDAY OCT. 28th, 1911
From 1 to 3 P. M.
MASSEY'S HOTEL, IN ODESSA,
WEDNESDAY, OCT. 25th, 1911
From 1 to 3 P. M.
AT R. S. CARPENTER'S STORE, IN PORT PENN,
WEDNESDAY, OCT. 18th, 1911
From 1 to 3 P. M.
EXTRACT FROM THE LAWS OF DELAWARE, GOVERNING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY, SECTION 3, CHAPTER 30, VOLUME 21, LAWS OF DELAWARE, AS AMENDED:
Section 3—That on all taxes paid before the first day of October there shall be an abatement of five per centum. On all taxes paid before the first day of December there shall be an abatement of three per centum. On all taxes paid during the month of December there shall be no abatement whatever. And on all taxes unpaid on the first day of January five per centum thereof shall be added thereto.
JOHN E. DENNY,
Collector of Taxes for St. Georges Hundred

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS
—OF—
Blackbird Hundred!
The taxable residents of Blackbird Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1911 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be
AT BLACKBIRD, WATSON'S STORE,
OCTOBER 28th, 1911
From 1 to 4 P. M.
AT FLEMING'S LANDING,
OCTOBER 30th, 1911
From 1 to 4 P. M.
AT DELANEYS,
OCTOBER 26th, 1911
From 1 to 4 P. M.
Tax bills can be obtained by making personal application to the Collector, or by sending written communication enclosing stamps.
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JOHN BEITH,
Collector of Tax for Blackbird Hundred

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Specials This Week
NOTHING BUT SPECIALS

Men's $15.00 and $20.00 All-wool Suits at $10.00 and $12.50
By good fortune we found a well-known Philadelphia clothing manufacturer with a lot of splendid SAMPLE SUITS of handsome, new patterns and colors in this Fall's styles and cut. Each suit means a positive saving of $6.00 and $7.00 each. And a guarantee of perfect service goes with each suit. Various sizes to fit either youths or young men. Values $15.00 to $20.00. Our special price $10.00 and $12.50.
Men's Trousers from $1.00 to $3.50
Men's Overcoats from $5.00 to $12.00
Boys' Suits from $4.50 to $6.00

UMBRELLAS.—Special Sample Sale
A new kink in Men's and Women's Umbrellas—the "Wind Proof" with strong movable ribs which permit its being blown inside out without the least damage. Cover raised at the top, keeps ribs from cutting through. A great invention. Value $2.00. Special for this week $1.00.
Same umbrella in fine silk, with imported carved handle. Value $5.00. Special for this week $3.00.

Kid Gloves
Women's and Misses' Kid Gloves "Le Triomphe" a splendidly made glove out of fine kid, of various colors and all sizes. Special at $1.00.

New Aviation Cap
These dandy caps are flying away fast. Come quickly if you want one. Hand-knit, all-wool, Germantown zephyr, warm as toast. Selections yet in many solid colors and in various combinations. We once sold these caps for 98c and our customers were pleased to get them at that price. But having had the good luck to get a lot cheap for cash, we are now selling them for almost half while they last only—50c.

Imported HANDKERCHIEFS
Another Sample Bargain. Again we are in luck to find a lovely lot of Ladies' Sample Imported Swedish Handkerchiefs—36 dozen of them and no two alike—ALL SAMPLES. These exquisite, worked handkerchiefs sold for 50c to $1.00. We offer them for 12½c, 20c and 50c. Look for the importation cost tag on each handkerchief. Every wise woman who looks ahead will put in a supply for Xmas gifts. We hesitated to buy them, for nothing so fine had ever been on aale in Middletown before.

Also for This Week
50c bottle of Peroxide of Hydrogen for 25c
Also 20c sizes for 10c
New goods daily coming in everyone of our departments: Shoes, Millinery, Ladies' Suits, Coats, Dresses, Skirts and Waists, Children's Coats, Furs, Dry Goods, Corsets, Notions, Hosiery and Underwear.

Fogel & Burstan Department Store
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While you are about it, put on a good roof, one that you won't have to be painting and fussing with every little while to keep it in proper condition. Get the guaranteed, trouble-proof roofing—
RELIANCE RUBBER ROOFING
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Complete with water front or reservoir.

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We have a full line of Ranges, Single or Double Heaters, Air-tight, etc. Repairs for all makes of stoves.
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Mails Close as Follows.

Going North—7.25 a. m., 10.05 a.m., 4.05 p.m. p. m. and 8 p. m.
Going South—8.00 a.m., 4.15 p. m., and 9 p.m
For Odessa—7.50 a. m., 8.30 a m., 11.30 a. m., .50 p. m.
For Warwick, Cecilton and Earlville 9.20 a. m. and 4.45 p. m.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., OCT. 28, 1911

LOCAL NEWS

Get Keith's Ice Cream at WILCUTTS successor to Mrs. Curry.

Freeh Pork, Lamb, Beef and Veal, At SHRIVERS MEAT MARKET.

Wagons and Dearborns for sale.
J. C. GREEN.

Get Keith's Ice Cream at WILCUTTS', successor to Mrs. Curry.

WANTED—Carpenters at once.
JOHNS & WILSON.
Warwick, Md.

FRESH and SALT FISH at my store at all times. W. C. JONES.

Wagons and Dearborns for sale.
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Flat Top office Desk and office chair cheap. Apply at THIS OFFICE.

Buy a Royal Bride Range. It will give you satisfaction. REDGRAVE BROS.

Get Keith's Ice Cream at WILCUTTS' successor to Mrs. Curry.

Keith's fresh Peanut and Cocoanut Taffy at WILCUTTS', successor to Mrs. Curry.

HIDES WANTED.—The highest cash prices paid for horse and cow hides.
W. C. JONES.

The best steak, roasts, lamb and veal, at W. C. Jone's.

The very newest in Ladies' and Misses' long coats and winter suits. Children's coats, bonnets and caps at
G. W. PETERSON

WANTED—$2500 at 5 per cent. on first mortage. Apply to
TRANSCRIPT OFFICE.

Finish your floor with Roger's Stanifloor Varnish. It will please you.
REDGRAVE BROS.

Peterson will open up a 5 and 10 cent department in their store, November 15.

Keith's fresh Peanut and Cocoanut Taffy at WILCUTTS', successor to Mrs. Curry.

Now is the time to paint. Use Wetherills Atlas Paint.
REDGRAVE BROS.

Chickens, Eggs, and everything usually found in an up-to-date meat market. At
SHRIVERS MEAT MARKET

The highest cash prices paid for hides of all kinds. At
SHRIVERS MEAT MARKET

Get Keith's Ice Cream at WILCUTTS successor to Mrs. Curry.

Wall paper, from 5c up. Just received 2000 pieces of new paper. Pictures given with each sale.
G. W. PETERSON

Closing out our big stock of shoes, every pair of men's women's and children shoes to go at much less then half price. Don't miss this sale at G. W. PETERSON'S

BIG SALE OF SHOES at Peterson's store. Such bargains never offered in shoes in this town. Don't miss it.

Don't forget your Cream for Sunday, Keith's make all flavors, at WILCUTTS' successor to Mrs. Curry.

Mrs. Mary Vandergrift, Mrs. L. V. Davidson and little daughter, Ruth, of Atlantic City, N. J., were guests at the home of the Misses Beasten, on Cass street this week.

A large assortment of fancy bags, towels both Royal and D. M.C. packages suitables for Christmas gifts.
MRS. J. H. EMERSON

DRESS MAKING—Mrs. S. Custer has moved on East Main Street opposite Green's blacksmith shop, where she will do all kinds of dress making and tailoring.

The 75th annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Delaware, I. O. O. F., will be held at the Odd Fellows Hall, Third and King Streets, Wilmington, on Wednesday, November 15th.

HIGH GRADE LEHIGH COAL, all sizes ALWAYS in stock and under cover. Guaranteed free from dirt. Oak Wood to fit the stove. 'Phone 5 and 48.
JESSE L. SHEPHERD.

Unclaimed Letters—The following list of letters remains unclaimed in the post office for the week ending Oct. 19th: Miss Maude Charles, Mr. Clarence Cannon, W. J. Jones, Jino Kon, Harvie Richey, Mr. William P. Summers.

All day meeting at Bethel Church Pivot Bridge, Md., next Sunday October 29th. Love feast at 9 A. M. Preaching at 10.30 A. M. General service at 2.30 P. M. Young peoples meeting at 7.30 o'clock. Soloists of distinction will be present all day.

A cow belonging to Mr. John Heldmyer, broke out of the pasture lot back of the Presbyterian Church early Tuesday morning, and strayed on the railroad tracks, where a freight train struck and instantly killed her.

"Samples" in goods, means a bargain every time! This week Fogel & Burstan have a whole ad of nothing but "Sample" Bargains, and they are money savers as you will say if you look into the matter. Read their ad and then call and see how big the bargains are.

After October first, the library hours will be:—Tuesdays, 3.30 to 5; Fridays, 7 to 8.30; Saturdays 3 to 5. The library will be open on Tuesday evenings for school children exclusively.

Do not neglect your teeth.; A little attention now may save you much pain and expense in the future.
Dr. J. ALLEN JOHNSON,
Middletown, Del.

The name of Delaware's watering resort recently was changed from Rehoboth Beach by the postal authorities, at the request of several business men, and in order to distinguish it from Rehoboth, Maryland. This is the second change in name the resort has had, formerly it was known as Cape Henlopen City.

Now is the time to have your Winter clothing cleaned. Men's Suits $2.05 trousers 75 cents. Ladies skirts $1.50 and $1.75, Down quilts, $1 50 and $2.00. Blankets $1.00 per pair, Lace curtains $1.00 per pair, Vests 50 cents. Kid gloves, 15 cents per pair, all lengths. We also do the very finest dyeing.
ROBERT B. JONES.

H. S. Newman's Motion Pictures are proving a "great hit" here in town. Every taste, of young and old, is met; useful and lovely scenes; pathos and tragedy; rollicking fun and humor. New things every night give the exhibition a final attraction. The variety of subjects shown is endless. Mr. Newman deserves the fullest patronage of the public.

CENTURY CLUB LECTURE

In a graceful speech of welcome Mrs. Frederick Brady, President of the New Century Club, introduced Professor Paul M. Pearson, a member of the Swarthmore College faculty, to an audience that comfortably filled the Club hall, on the occasion of his lecture, Friday evening upon James Whitcomb Riley.

Professor Pearson is an agreeable and graceful speaker with a pleasing vein of humor of his own and is besides a finished elocutionist, and his recitations of a number of Riley's best known verses, both in the pathetic and in the comic way, was exceedingly fine. He is a congenial, sympathetic interpreter of the poet whose works were his theme. His whole entertaining lecture upon the character and beauty of Riley's poetry was interlarded with illustrative recitations that were very effective.

Among other things he gave "A Life Lesson" with its tender refrain—"there, little girl don't cry, don't cry; "A Song", "The Swimming Hole", etc.

His rendering of "Knee Deep in June", a sample of Riley's verse in the Hoosier dialect, was done with a rollicking, infectious appreciation that made his audience smile and smile again. The speaker also told several stories—one or two never published—about his author that gave a picture of his somewhat unique personality. As compared Riley to Burns as one who glorified common things, styled him the poet of the plain people and their homely, simple modes of life.

The professor while referring to Riley's funny illustration of the chap who when trying to tell a comic story—forget the point of it, told one of his own which must have amused his hearers; viz, how in a lecture at Dover once, a quotation slipped his memory though he tried three times to recall it. Then everybody after the lecture wanted him to repeat those supposedly purposely omitted words, and finally when the treasurer gave him a jolt, the words came to him. He said he had hadreminders from pretty near the four quarters of the globe from those present.

Certainly this illuminating presentation of Riley's poetry should cause all who have not done this charming writer the full justice of reading—now to do so.

THEY WANT MILK

THE TRANSCRIPT scribe is reliably informed that the Middletown Farms Creamery wants more milk than is being received at the present time to fill its increasing orders. This creamery paid to the farmers for the month of September from $1.16 to $2.30 per 100 lbs. In dollars and cents this amounts to from 59½ cents to $1.15 for each 50 lb. can of milk. When the producer considers he has no baggage tickets to buy, no cans to loose, and does not have to worry over his money after the milk has been delivered, the prices paid by the local company are equal to those promised by those city milk men. The October prices to be paid will in all probability be 20 per cent. higher than those paid for September.

Our farmers would make no mistake in talking this matter over with some representative of the local creamery before contracting with outside dealers.

MISS STEVENS WILL READ

At the entertainment to be given Friday evening, November 3d, in the New Century Club room, Miss F. Cora P. Stevens of West Chester Pa., will read from "At The Sign of The Jack O'Lantern," Myrtle Reed—"In The Palace of The King"—"London Assurance," Bouccicault and "The Cook," an Irish Monologue, Mr. Albertus Parrish and Mr. Robert Anderson of Elwyn will present the following musical program.

1—Overture.
The Feast of Lanterns.....*Bennett*
2—(a) The Rosary.....*Nevin*
(b) Spring Song.....*Mendelsohn*
3—Cornet Solo, Bore of Algeria *V. Herbert*
4—The Roses Honeymoon.....*Bratton*
5—It Levatore Murvere.....*Verdt*
6—Meditation from Thais.....*Masenei*
7—Largo.....*Handel*
8—March Carmen.....*Bigel*

This is the second of the five entertainments to be given by the ladies of the Century Club, and a large audience is assured if the weather is favorable.

BETHESDA CHURCH NOTES

Sunday, October 29th, 1911. the pastor, Rev. Vaughan S. Collins, will begin a series of sermons on "The Jew: Past, Present, Future;" the sermon for 10.30 A. M., Sunday next being, "The World's Indebtedness to the Jew." Subject at 7.30 P. M., "Shod for the Journey."

The increased attendance at the Sunday School is very pleasing to the Superintendent, Martin B. Burris, Esq., and his faithful band of co-workers.

The Methodist Brotherhood at its last regular meeting announced ushers and leaders as follows: morning—J. Irving Brockson, Frank Richards, Delbert Gallagher, William Gallagher; evening, S. J. Brockson, Herbert Pyle, Frank Pearce, J. J. Northrup. The leaders for devotional meetings are: Oct. 29th, J. Irving Brockson; Nov. 5th, M. D. Wilson; Nov. 12th, W. T. Pearce, Sr.

Two Middletown Horses

Thomas W. Murphey, who with nearly $73,000 to his credit, ranks as the largest money winning light harness driver of the season of 1911, he rode 295 miles in his races, not counting the distance traveled while scoring. Of his 295 miles raced, 155 were made in time better than 2 10. R. T. C. and Bill Williams, both Middletown horses were among the horses driven by Murphey during the year.

Festival and Bazaar

For the benefit of St. Joseph's R. C. Church, a Festival and Bazaar will be held by the ladies of the church, in the second story of The TRANSCIPT building commencing on Wednesday evening next November 1st and continuing Thursday and Friday. All are cordially invited. Doors open each evening at 7 o'clock.

Comic Window Scene

A propos of the coming eerie halloween time, Mr. Ernest A. Truitt has his drug store window tastefully decorated with a safron-skirted, pumpkin headed maid, with an expressive smile that reaches nearly from ear to ear; a lot of tiny black cats around a stack of fine, big ears of corn from Mr. Spicer's farm, and a second "pumpkin head" wearing and everlasting grin with some comic figurines complete the picture.

OUR FRIENDS AND VISITORS

Personal Items About People You See and Know

Mrs. T. S. Fouracre was a Wilmington visitor on Monday.

Miss Edith Francis spent Sunday with her parents at Smyrna.

Miss Helen Jones is spending this week with her sister at Smyrna.

Miss Emma Kelly entertained Miss Griffith, of Wilmington, over last Sunday.

Dr. Martin W. Barr, of Elwyn, Pa., visited his mother, Mrs. H. M. Barr, this week.

Mr. George D. Kelley Jr., of Newark, spent last Sunday at the home of his parents here.

Mr. Arthur Holiday has returned from Clayton, where he spent several days with his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. George Echenhofer spent several days this week with friends in Philadelphia.

Mrs. William Collins, of Smyrna, visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. John S. Crouch this week.

Mrs. P. L. McWhorter has returned home, after spending several days with relatives in Clayton.

Mrs. Mary V. Appleton, of Wilmington, was the guest of her sister Mrs. Jacob H. Emerson on Tuesday.

Mr. Clarence I. Richards, of Kennett Square, Pa., spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Crossland.

Miss Naomi Keith spent several days of last week with her cousin, Miss Pearle Gardner, of Centerville.

Mrs. Fred Blome has returned home, after a month's visit with her daughter, Mrs. William McCleary, of Wilmington.

Mrs. George Lambert, of Woodale, is spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Blome.

Mrs. William R. Cochran has returned home, after spending the summer at Elwyn, Pa. and other places.

Miss Mildred Allen, of Philadelphia, is spending several days with Miss Estelle Beasten on North Broad Street.

Mrs. Curtis Millman, *nee* Miss Rose Weber, spent Thursday in Wilmington, the guest of her friend, Miss Mary Bishop.

Mrs. John J. Jolls has returned home after spending two weeks with her mother Mrs. John Edwards, near Millington, Md.

Mrs. Thomas Torbert, of West Virginia, who is staying with her mother, Mrs. Pennington in Wilmington was in town this week.

BEAUTIFUL DAHLIAS

Cass street claims the honor, at the home of Mrs. W. Pierce Biggs, of the incomparably finest display, in splendid growth and in number too, of Autumn's stately flower—the dahlia.

We had the pleasure of inspecting her fine collection containing between 75 and 100 varieties of this gorgeous-hued flower, of all colors from "Uncle Tom" and "Black diamond," as their names indicate, sable hued, to Grand Duke Alexis, a large petaled white dahlia. There was the "Pink Gem", the "Flora Dora" a huge specimen of deep purple, the "Mrs. Roosevelt", a pale pink; the "Chicago", salmon; the "W. A. Bassett", yellow; the "Mrs. Welsh", red purple; the "Lottie Eckford" piebald; the "Prince", pale red; the "Golden Wedding", like its name—golden; the "Orange Prince", also rightly named; the "20th Century", white; the "Prof. Manefield", yellow tipped with red; the "Lemon Beauty", lemon colored, of course, the "Sylvia"; the "Exquisite", the "Sofferino", the "Country Girl", the "Jack Rose", Jean Shermitt", and dozens more.

Among other varieties are a number of so called cactus dahlias in which the leaves are both narrower and fewer. One of these has but a few broad, white petals, and looks for all the world like a dogwood blossom, only finer and more aristocratic.

Mrs. Biggs had a large number of dahlias last year, but has since much increased her varieties. Displayed in their native beauty, almost every rainbow tint mingling in one florid pattern of color, it all made in its prime a beautiful garden scene and is even yet very lovely though the storms have made some ravages.

Mrs. Biggs attended a dahlia exhibition and saw no finer flowers than her own; we can well believe it.

OBITUARY

MRS. MARY L. MCDOWELL

Mrs. Mary L. McDowell, widow of the late Lewis P. McDowell, died at the home of her son Dr. H. B. McDowell Monday evening, aged 73 years. Mrs. McDowell was one of the best known and highly esteemed ladies of this community. She was in her usual good health on Sunday and attended services in Forest Presbyterian Church Sunday morning. Mrs. McDowell was taken sick Monday morning with acute indigestion and although Dr. E. M. Vaughan was quickly summoned the hand of death came about 7 oclock Monday evening. Mrs. McDowell was married in 1856 and leaves two sons, Dr. Harris B., who lives at the home place near town, and Mr. Allen McDowell, of Chicago, Illinois. Her husband died some years since. Funeral services were held at her late residence Friday afternoon, at 2 o'clock; the interment was made in Forest Cemetery.

JOSEPH SHETZLER

The remains of Mr. Joseph Shetzler were interred in St. Pauls M. E. Cemetery, Friday of last week. Services were held as St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Middletown. The deceased was a well known and respected citizen of Odessa, having spent many years in and near that town. He was a veteran of the Civil War, having ialisted in November 1861, and served until the close of the war. He was a member of Co. D, 2d, Md., Vol. infantry commanded by Capt. W. W. Walker, of Odessa. The few surviving members of the company attest to the facts that he was a good soldier and always found at his post, ready to face any danger or difficulty that surrounded him. He was always found on the firing line when the regiment was in front of the enemy. He was with General Hunter, on the raid to Lynchburg, Mr. Shetzler made his home with his daughter Mrs. Henry Bignear. He was a member of G. A. R. Post, No. 14, of that town.

BEAUTIFUL HOME WEDDING

Miss Elizabeth May Kumpel United in Marriage to Daniel W. Stevens

The home of Mrs. Sarah E. Kumpel on Lockwood street, was the scene of a beautiful wedding on Wednesday at 2.30 o'clock when her only daughter Elizabeth May, became the bride of Mr. Daniel Wooters Stevens of this town. The girl friends of the bride had trimmed the house with ferns; autumn leaves, pink and white cosmos, making a very pretty scene.

Rev. Vaughan S. Collins, pastor of Bethesda M. E. Church, performed the ceremony, the ring ceremony being used.

Miss Mary Richards and Mrs. J. William Beaston, both of this town, played Lohengrin's wedding march. Preceeding the ceremony, Mrs. Beaston sang "Oh, Promise Me". They gave a number of selections. They each wore white or pink with pink messaline trimmings.

The bride was dressed in white crepe meteor trimmed with duchess lace and hand embroidery, with a tulle veil and carried white chrysanthemums.

The Maid of Honor, Miss Mary L. Adkins, of St. Elmo, Va., wore pink crepe de chine and carried pink chrysanthemums.

The brides maids, Miss Eva B. Doeringer, of Plainfield, N. J. and Miss Elizabeth Holten of Middletown wore white marquisette over shell pink and carried pink chrysanthemums.

The ushers were Mr. Moody Stevens of Chester, Pa., and Mr. Ringgold Richards of this town, and the best man Mr. Stanley Stevens, of Delaware City, a brother of the groom.

The bride was given in marriage by her brother Norman W. Kumpel of Wilmington.

Immediately after the ceremony a reception was held until 4 o'clock when Caterer Gibbs served refreshments.

A large number of handsome presents in silver, cut glass, furniture etc., were given the bride who is deservedly very popular among her many friends here. Mr. Stevens as town clerk has made good and has also a host of friends.

The big crowd that gathered at the depot to see them off were neatly fooled, for Mr. and Mrs. Stevens went in their guidily trimmed and bell adorned auto to Odessa and thence to Wilmington whence they wert by train on their wedding trip.

About 100 guests were present among them: Miss Nellie Norman, Plymouth, N. C.; Miss Lillian Montgomery, of New Castle; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kumpel, of Port Penn; Mrs. C. J. Bailey, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mr. David Bailey, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. Anna Dunn, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. Oliver Higgins, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. Peter Doeringer, Plainfield, N. J.; Miss Eva Doeringer, Plainfield, N. J.; Mr. Russell Doeringer, Plainfield, N. J.; Mrs. Charles M. Kelly and daughter, New Market, N. J.; Mrs. Fred Kumpel, Medford, N. J.; Miss Bertha Stevens, Wilmington; Mrs. John Solway, Wilmington; Mr. and Mrs. Francis Solway, Wilmington; Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Stevens, of Delaware City; Mr. Moody Stevens, Chester, Pa.; Mr. John M. Stewart, Chester, Pa.; Mrs. William Robinson, Smyrna; Mrs. David I. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Enoch Allee, Mr. and Mrs. J. William Beaston, Mesdames Maria Jones, Joseph C. Jolls, John A. Jolls, John J. Jolls, S. E. Lewis, Theodore V. Leonhart, William Moore, Horace Moore, John McGuire, L. C. Scott, Leslie Schrietz, Samuel Price, John Beuhm, Harry Black, J. Fletcher Deakyne, John Ginn, Adam Reed, and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Brockson, Rev. and Mrs. Vaughan S. Collins, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Jabob H. Emerson, Mr. and Mrs Earl Goldsborough, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Kumpel, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Montgomery, Mr. and Mrs. John Spicer, Mr. and Mrs. George Richards, Mrs. T. S. Fouracre, Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson, Misses Emily Allee, Mary Beaston, Edna Banning, Harriet Black, Emma Burchard, Anna Denny, Lena Dutton, Bessie Doolittle, Elma Deakyne, Louise Echenhofer, Lottie Jolls, Mary Jolls, Prudence Lewis, Elizabeth Holten, Lillian Melvin, Ada Scott, Mary Bichards, Lena Weber, Lulu Vinyard, Fannie Staats, Messrs. Elwood Banning, John Heldmyer, Joseph Hanson, George Richards, Ringgold Richards, Elias Shallcross, John Kumpel, and Horace Moore, Jr.

Now it has never fallen to the lot of the bald-headed editor of the TRANSCRIPT in one issue to have the pleasing task of speaking his best wishes to so many young couples just venturing their first voyage upon the uncertain sea of matrimony and lest he run out of sugary words and "best wishes" he will have to lump the job and wish 'em all—a long, jolly, sunny voyage with never a shipwreck among them, although of course there will probably be a number of little squalls.

CENTURY CLUB MEETING

A delightful meeting was held at the New Century Club on Tuesday, the subject being "Our Tourists," Miss May M. Holten, chairman, Miss Eliza C. Green read a paper written by Miss Ethel Brady telling of her trip to England during the summer.

Miss Marie I. Lockwood gave an interesting account of her recent trip to Vancouver, B. C., California, Salt Lake City and other places. The trip occupied about two months and the account was most pleasing. Miss Lockwood had no notes but described the trip from memory. While in Vancouver, she was the guest of her uncle, Mr. Edward W. Lockwood, some years ago a resident of this town, now a wealthy real estate dealer of Vancouver.

Mrs. Henry M. Schroeder gave a pleasant account of her two weeks trip to the coast of Maine, telling of the many beauties of that part of the country.

The Book Club of Kirkwood will give a masked Hallow'een party on Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Boyd McCoy near Kirkwood.

CURRENT PRICES

MIDDLETOWN GRAIN MARKET
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Wheat—No. 2	.94	Corn—	
No. 1		Yellow, shelled	60
Timothy Seed	$8.50	" cob	59
Clover Seed	$10.30	Oats	60

MIDDLETOWN PRODUCE MARKET
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY W. T. CONNELLEE

Eggs, per doz	28@30
Country Butter, per lb	32@38
Creamery Butter, per lb	43
Lard, per lb	12@14
Live Chickens, per lb	15@18
Potatoes	75

MATRIMONY WHOLESALE

The matrimonial microbe would seem to be in the very atmosphere of Middletown this week, for Messrs Cupid and Hymen have done a land office business this week—no less than six weddings announced in that time! Hardened old bachelor sinners like Col. H. and Mr. B. are beginning to get frightened not knowing where the marital lightning may next strike.

Then too this sudden and amazing boost to the marriage market has brought new hopes into the hearts of some of our young ladies who once were younger, and things may be expected to happen, for they do say this mating madness is catchin.

Now THE TRANSCRIPT wants to chronicle all of the delicious events, and if there are others not discovered by its busy society reporter will they please "drop us a line" with full particulars before we go to press?

WEBER—MILLMAN

We will have to number them to keep our talk straight. No. 1. One of Mrs. Rosa Weber's charming daughters, her namesake Miss Rosa, has just given her mother and the public the unexpected news that on last September 7th she and Mr. Curtis Fisher Millman, one of our worthy young telegraphers, stole away to Wilmington and got parson George Wolfe there to tie the fateful knot. For awhile the young couple will live in Middletown, but later they will reside in Woodside.

CARROL—DAVIS

No. 2. Here's another case of "stolen nest." The friends and the general public have but recently learned that on October 11th, Miss Lola R. Carrol the lovely daughter of Mr. Michael and Mrs. Mary Carroll, and Mr. Howard C. Davis, were married in Camden, N. J., by the Rev. Dr. Bowman. The newly wedded pair will live in Middletown.

COSDEN—JARVIS

No. 3. Hymen before breakfast! On Wednesday morning at 5.30 o'clock the Rev. Percy L. Donaghay, rector of St. Annes P. E church, united in marriage at the rectory Mr. Charles T. Jarvis, son of the late J. H. and F. S. Jarvis, of Galena, Md., and Miss Maud W. Cosden, of this place, another of our fine young ladies. The bride and groom left on the afternoon train for a bridal tripto Atlantic City, New York City. They will make their home in Pittsburg, Pa., where the groom is in business.

SKINNER—COURSEY

No. 4. A sudden attack! On Wednesday afternoon, Miss Eva May Skinner, accompanied by Mrs. Charles Elwood Coursey, a fine young fellow who has made many friends in his short stay in town, left on the train for Wilmington, and in the evening were made one connubially by the Rev. George Wolfe. They at once left Wilmington for a bridal tour of several days to New York. They will live in Middletown.

COCHRAN—GREEN

No. 5. Our jocose townsman, Mr. William Green, the son of the late William Green, and Mrs. Lucy Green, and Miss Elizabeth Dashiel Cochran, the daughter of Mr. Richard R. and Mrs. Fanny Cochran, one of our fine country lassies, were quietly united in wedlock last Thursday evening in New York City.

Miss Cochran, it seems, was attending the marriage of a friend in Trenton and Mr. Green just happened to "drop in" there too, and either he or she or both of them, thought that since they were going to enter into life partnership, why, no time was better than right now, so off they go, and find the "marrying parson" of the Church of The Strangers, better known as the "Little Church Around the Corner" and then and there get spliced for aye.

Mr. Green is nothing if not waggish and he thought it would be a good joke to steal a marital march on their friends. The town is not yet done laughing over the prank he played his father-in-law sometime ago with his make belief preliminary survey of the coming du Pont boulevard that would have cut the old gentleman's farm and barns in two!

Mr. Green is a fine gentleman and has a lovely fortune in his stolen Desdemona. It was not until they wired last Friday that their friends knew of their escapade. They will engage in farming near Middletown.

CECILTON

Mrs. William Taylor is on the sick list.

Mr. George Morgan is visiting his son Mr. G. G. Morgan.

Miss Francis entertained Miss Dempsey of Galena, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Padley and son spent Sunday in town.

The Sunday School Rally held here on Sunday was well attended.

Miss Katherine Wilson was guest of Miss Lelia Burke on Sunday.

Mr. Crowing Burke, of Georgetown, Md., spent Sunday in town.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Black have moved in their home recently bought.

Mr. C. V. Hoover spent a few days this week in Philadelphia and Wilmington.

Miss Amy Culbertson and Elsie Wilson spent Sunday with Miss Mable Coppage.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Carpenter, of near Earleville, spent Sunday with Mrs. Jennie Price.

Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Kenney entertained Mr. and Mrs. James C. Pierce on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas O'Neil, of Lynch, attended the funeral of Miss Annie ONeil on Saturday.

Miss Blanche Van Buskirk, of Baltimore, has been visiting her aunt Mrs. W H. Alderson.

Mrs. W. Gary and daughter, of Kennedyville, visited her father Mr. James Smith on Sunday.

Mr. Earle Shockley and friend, of Townsend, spent Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Watts.

Mrs. Harry Clark and children, of near Earleville, were guests of Miss Martha Vandegrift on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pierce Stradley and children, of St. Augustine, visited Mrs. James Stradley on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Jones, of near Massey, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. James P. McCoy on Sunday.

Mrs. William Pierce, Mrs. Harry Budd and Mrs. George Beaston visited Mrs. Byron Bouchelle in Chesapeake City on Tuesday of this week.

Two Serenades—Music and Din

Thursday evening following a little musical effort by a few lads who opened the ball with noise, a bevy of young ladies, and chums of the late Miss Rose Weber, who is now a sober matron to be, as Mrs. Curtis Millman—called on her and gave her a very fine vocal and instrumental serenade in honor of her marriage.

A special feature of this festive occasion was the antics of two "clownesses" Miss Whats Her Name and Mrs. Wonder Who. The music was greatly appreciated, and won for the ladies a treat equally fine at the hands of their hosts.

The above serenade was hardly over before another one furnished by 28 young men of Middletawn, began. All pademonium broken loose—all the dissonant, discordant, ear-wracking—teeth-aching—noises ever heard! 70 Steam whistles, and as many boiler makers pounding away like mad, were as quiet as the grave by comparison!

Among the torturing instruments were bells, horns, tin pans, a huge drum, anything made of sheet iron that would din and rattle, and more loud yawps and Indian yells than Sitting Bull's band ever sent up!

After about a half hour of racket that would have waked the "Seven Sleepers" the musicians (?) were bribed to quit their music (!) by a generous treat of ice cream and cake by Mrs. Millman and her mother.

A number of older friends attracted by the melodious proceeding—which it is needless to say was heard pretty much all over town—also came in and shared the hospitality of the newly wedded pair, and of Mrs. Weber. The two serenades lasted till past eleven o'clock.

CHESAPEAKE CITY

Mr. and Mrs. William Brown spent Wednesday in Philadelphia.

Mr. Milton Titter, of Philadelphia, spent several days this week in town.

Miss Gough, of Baltimore, is the guest of her sister Mrs. John Hudson.

Rev. Edwin Gardner gave a well attended lecture in Masonic Hall on Tuesday evening.

Miss Ethel Ellison assisted by Joseph Schaefer, Jr., is conducting a school for dancing in "Masonic Hall".

Mr. Ward Beaston returned home on Monday after spending several days in Wilmington and Philadelphia.

Mrs. Harry Davidson who has been ill with typhoid is improving; her little son Marion is however no better at this writing.

Our town is being quite improved by Messrs. Hopper Steele and Clayton removing their fences and putting in asphalt walks.

Mrs. Cora Boulden and family left our town on Tuesday for Havre-de-Grace where they will reside with her son Dr. A. B. Boulden.

WARWICK

Miss Mamie Merritt is visiting relatives in Elkton.

Mrs. J. R. H. Price is visiting her son Rodney, at Annapolis.

Guy Johnson, of Elkton, visited at the home of R. B. Merritt on Sunday.

Mr. Daniel Wilson spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Josephine Wilson.

Messrs. R. B. Merritt Jr. is spending this week with friends in Wilmington and Chester.

Miss Emma Camper, of Philadelphia, was an over Sunday guest at the home of John Piser near town.

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Miss Alice Brown was a Philadelphia visitor part of last week.

Mrs. George Whittock was a Philadelphia visitor part of last week.

Miss Ethel Mailly was a Wilmington visitor Saturday of last week.

Rev. Edward A. McLaurie and family are in Wilmington this week.

Rev. J. H. Gray and wife spent part of this week with relatives at Newark.

Mr. Jacob Gremminger, of Chester, Pa. was a visitor in town part of last week.

Mrs. Hester Snape, of Philadelphia, is the guest of Mrs. J. W. McCoy this week.

Miss Alice McCoy, of Wilmington, is spending sometime with her parents here.

Mr. Joseph Coll, of Philadelphia, was an over Sunday visitor with his family here.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Hayden, of Wilmington, were the guests of her parents here part of last week.

Mr. Pierce Berry, of Wilmington, spent part of last week with his mother and sisters here.

Mr. George Moore, wife and little son, of Kingston, N.J., were guests of his mother Mrs. Mary Moore part of last week.

Mr. Joseph Rhodes wife and daughter attended the funeral of Mr. Walter Heavelow, of near Townsend Saturday last.

The Third Annual Banquet of the St. Pauls M. E. Brotherhood will be held Wednesday evening, November, 8th at 7 o'clock in the Town Hall. Tickets are ready for sale at 35c.

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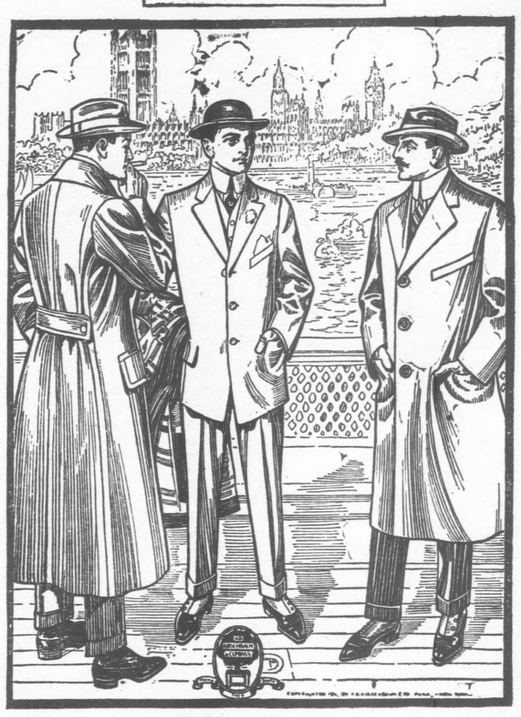

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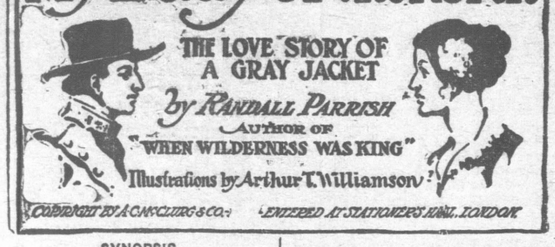

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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I.—The story opens in a tent of the Confederate army at a critical stage of the Civil War. Gen. Lee imparts to Captain Wayne a secret message to Longstreet, upon the delivery of which depend great issues. Accompanied by Sergeant Craig, an old army scout, Wayne starts out on his dangerous mission.

CHAPTER II.—The two messengers make a wild ride, dodging squads of soldiers, almost lose their bearings and finally are within the lines of the enemy, having penetrated the cordon of pickets unmolested.

CHAPTER III.—Encountering a small party of soldiers in the darkness, Wayne is taken for a federal officer who came to keep an appointment, is accepted as his representative, and a young lady on horseback is given in his charge.

CHAPTER IV.

A Woman With a Temper.

I think we must have been fully an hour at it, riding at no mean pace, and with utter disregard of danger. Although I knew little of where we were, and nothing as to the condition of the path we traversed, yet so complete was my confidence in Craig that I felt no hesitancy in blindly following the pace he set. Then a black shape loomed up before us so suddenly that it was only by a quick effort I prevented a collision. Even as I held my horse poised half in air, I perceived it was Craig himself who blocked the way.

"What is it, sergeant?"

"A picket, sir, at the end of the road," he said, quietly. "I kinder reckoned they'd hev some sort o' guard thar, so I crept up on the quiet ter be sure. The feller helped me out a bit by strikin' a match ter see what time 'twas, or I reckon I'd a walked over him in ther dark."

"Had we better ride him down?" I asked, thinking only how rapidly the night hours were speeding and of the importance of the duty pressing upon us.

"Not with ther woman, sir," he answered in a low, reproachful voice. "Besides we never could git through without a shot, an' if by any dern luck it should turn out to be a cavalry outpost—an' I sorter reckon that's what it is—why, our horses are in no shape fer a hard run. You uns better wait here, sir, an' let me hand ter that soger man quiet like, an' then p'raps we uns kin all slip by without a stirrin' up ther patrol."

"Well," I said, reluctantly, yielding to what I felt was doubtless the wiser course, and mechanically grasping the rein he held out to me, "go ahead. But be careful, and don't waste any time. I'll hear the sound of a shot we shall ride forward under spur."

"All right, sir, you there'll be no fuss, fur I know jest whar ther feller is."

Time seems ever finally long when one is compelled to wait in helpless uncertainty, every nerve on strain.

"Hold yourself ready for a sudden start," I said, wheeling to my companion. "If there is any noise of a struggle yonder I shall drive in the spurs."

As I spoke I swung the sergeant's horse around to my side, where I could control him more readily.

There was no reply from the woman, but I noticed she endeavored to draw together the flapping cape of her cloak, as though she felt chilled by the wind and her figure seemed to stiffen in the saddle.

It came at last—not the sharp flash of a musket cleaving the night in twain, but merely the tall figure of the sergeant, stealing silently out of the gloom like a black ghost, and standing at our very horses' heads.

"All clear, sir," he reported in a matter-of-fact tone. "But we shall hev ter move mighty quiet, fer ther main picket post ain't more nor a hundred yards ter the right o' ther crossin'."

He did not remount, but, with reins flung loosely over his arm, led the way slowly forward, and carefully we followed him.

What had become of the sentinel I did not know, respecting Craig's evident desire for silence; but as we drew nearer the White Briar road I sought in vain to pierce the dense gloom and note some sign of a struggle, some darker shadow where a body might be lying. There was nothing visible to tell the story.

The sergeant walked without the least hesitation across the open space, directly into the deep shadows opposite, where the cross-road continued its hold way. Crouching low in the saddle, we followed him as silently as though we were but spirits of the night. Up the road I caught the red gleam of a fire almost spent, and a black figure crossed us, casting an odd shadow against the face of the rock where it was lighted by the flickering red blaze. It was all over in a moment, a mere glimpse, but it formed one of those sudden pictures which paint themselves on the brain and can never after be effaced. It recall yet the long shade cast by the man's gun, the grotesque shape of his flapping army overcoat, the quick change in the silhouette as he wheeled to retrace his beat. But there was no noise, not even the sound of his footsteps, reaching us. Even as I gazed, lying open at full length upon my horse, we had crossed the open, and a perfect tangle of low bushes hid us as completely as if we had entered the yawning mouth of a cavern.

A hundred yards or more of sharply curving road densely lined with shrubbery on either hand, and then Craig swung into saddle and again gave spur to his horse.

"We must ride for it now," he said, tersely. "When thet patrol makes their round, them fellers will be after us hot."

I urged my tired horse to a gallop, pressing upon Craig's heels as closely as I dared; nor did I glance back, for I knew well that a dead picket was lying somewhere by the cross-roads, and that his comrades would be heard from before dawn. We were moving heavily now; for the road under foot grew better as we advanced, and gave back the dull thud of soft earth instead of the rattling clang of the rocks we had been so long accustomed to. Then, suddenly, my horse was jerked almost to a standstill, the hand upon his bit seemingly as hard as my own, and I wheeled in the saddle, pressing my knees tightly to prevent being thrown, only to perceive the woman tugging desperately at the lines.

"What now?" I asked sharply, and in sudden anger I forced her to release her grasp. "We must ride, and ride hard, madam, to be out of this cordon by daylight."

"Ride where?"

She faced me stiffly, and there was a slight sting in her voice, I felt.

"Where?" I repeated; then partially gathering my scattered wits: "Why, to the camp we are seeking, of course."

I was conscious that her eyes were striving anxiously to see my face in the darkness—that her suspicions were now fully aroused; yet her quick retort surprised me.

"You lie!" she said, coldly. "That was a Federal picket he killed."

It was no time for argument, and I knew it. Craig, noting our pause, had ridden back, and reined in beside us without a word.

"You are right," I said, tersely. "In one sense of the word you are a prisoner, for the time being, at least, but not through any wish of mine. We do not make war on women, and your being in this situation is altogether an accident. However, be that as it may, we must, first of all, protect ourselves. I would very gladly leave you with your friends, if possible, but as things have shaped themselves there remains but one alternative—you must ride as I order."

"You—you are not Major Brennan's friend then? You were not sent by Frank to meet me?" The questions burst from her lips so rapidly that I scarcely caught their import.

"I am Captain Phillip Wayne, —th Virginia cavalry, at your service, madam," I said, calmly, "and to the best of my knowledge I have not the pleasure of Major Brennan's acquaintance."

She suddenly lifted the heavy riding whip that was clenched in her right hand, struck me with it full across the face, and then, as I quickly flung up my own arm to ward off a second blow, she sent the lash swirling down upon the flank of her horse. With one bound the maddened animal wrenched the reins from out my hands, nearly dragging me from the saddle, and swerving sharply to the left. There was a shock, a smothered oath, a moment's fierce struggle in the darkness, the sharp ping of the whip as it came down once, twice—then silence, broken only by deep breathing.

"I've got her, captain," chuckled the sergeant, softly, 'but dog-gone if I know what to do with her."

There was small sentiment of mercy in my heart as I drew up toward them, for my cheek burned where the lash had struck as though scorched with fire; but when I saw her leaning helplessly forward on her horse's neck, all bravado gone, her hands pinioned behind her in the iron grasp of the sergeant, my fierce resentment died away within me.

"Let her hands go, Craig," I commanded, briefly.

She lifted her body slightly from its cramped, uncomfortable posture, but her head remained bowed.

"Madam,"—I spoke sternly, for moments were of value now—"listen to what I say. We are Confederate soldiers passing through the Federal lines with dispatches. In order to save ourselves from discovery and capture we were compelled to take you in charge. It was the fortune of war. If now we could honorably leave you here we would most gladly do so, for having you with us adds vastly to our own danger; but these mountains are simply overrun with wandering guerrillas who would show you neither respect nor mercy. We simply dare not, as honorable men, leave you here unprotected, and consequently you must continue to ride in our company. Now answer me plainly, will you proceed quietly, or shall we be compelled to tie you to your horse?"

I knew she was crying; but with an effort she succeeded in steadying her voice sufficient to reply:

"I will go," she said.

"Thank you," and I gravely lifted my hat as I spoke. "You have saved

I Quickly Flung Up My Arm to Ward Off a Second Blow.

me a most unpleasant duty. You may ride on, sergeant; this lady and I will follow, as before."

She scarcely changed her posture as I spurred forward, riding now so close to her side that I could feel the flap of her saddle rise and fall against my knee. Whatever of evil she may have thought of us, I felt that she was sorry enough now for her hasty action, and I forgot the pain that yet stung me, and longed, without well knowing how, to tell her so.

CHAPTER V.

A Disaster on the Road.

To me she was merely a woman whom it had become my duty to protect, and whatever of chivalrous feeling I may have held toward her was based upon nothing deeper than this knowledge. She had come to us unde-sired and in darkness, her form enveloped in a cavalry cloak, her face shrouded by the night. As to whether she was young or old I had scarce means of knowing, saving only that the tone of her voice and the graceful manner of her riding made me confident that she had not lost the agility of youth. But beyond this vague impression (it was little more), and a fleeting gleam of the starlight in her eyes as she faced me in anger, I was as totally unaware of how she really looked as though we had never met. Her very name was unknown to me. Who was this Major Brennan? Was he father, brother or husband? and was her name Brennan also? For some reason this last possibility was repugnant to me. Yet I knew not why.

"You ride as though born to the saddle," I said pleasantly; and although I spoke low, we were so close together that my voice carried distinctly to her ears. "We have been sufficiently conceited to suppose that to be an accomplishment peculiar to our Southern women."

"I have been accustomed to ride since childhood," she replied rather shortly, and I was conscious of a restraint in her manner far from pleasing. Yet I ventured upon one more effort at conversation.

"Is Major Brennan an officer on Sheridan's staff?"

"I was not aware"—and I could not mistake the accent of vindictiveness in her voice—"that prisoners were obliged to converse against their will."

"I ask your pardon, I am sure," I returned soberly. "But my question was not altogether an idle one. I have chanced to meet several of General Sheridan's staff, and thought possibly Major Brennan might have been of their number. Seeing that we must associate for a time, I naturally felt it would prove pleasanter for both of us if we might discover some mutual tie."

There was no response.

The road we were following here took a sudden trend downward, and we could tell from the sharper ring of the hoofs, and the spitting of flinty sparks beneath us, that we were among rocks once more. Then our horses suddenly splashed into water, and I held them up long enough to drink. I felt thirst strongly myself, and slipping out of the saddle filled my canteen.

"Would you care for a drink?" I asked, stemming the stream to reach her side, and holding the vessel within easy grasp of her hand.

I actually believe her first impulse was to refuse haughtily this proffered civility from an enemy of her country, but the deep sense of need conquered her to accept the offering. Another hill followed, and then another, and finally we swept swiftly down a long slope densely bordered by trees and with irregular piles of rock upreaering ugly heads on either hand. I caught a swift glimpse of a rough log house on the right, so set back among trees that I half doubted its real existence, when—there was a slip, the crunching of a stone, a long stumble forward that fairly wrenched my hand loose from the woman's rein, and then, hopelessly struggling to regain his feet, my horse went down with a crash, head under, and I was hurled heavily forward upon my face. Craig, startled at the sudden crash behind him, spurred back to learn the full extent of my disaster. By this time I had regained my feet.

"I'm all right, I think, sergeant," I said hastily, "but the sorrel has broken her neck."

He began to swear at our ill luck, but I stopped him with a gesture he knew better than to ignore.

"Enough of that," I commanded, sternly. "Bad fortune is seldom bettered by hard words. First of all, help me to drag this dead body out of sight."

On one side of us the bank fell away with such precipitancy that when we once succeeded in dragging our load to the edge, we experienced no difficulty in sending it crashing downward. The body plunged through the thick underbrush at the bottom of the coggre, where I knew it would be completely hidden, even in the glare of daylight, from the spying eyes of any troopers riding hard upon our track. As we rapidly worked on this disagreeable task, I thought and planned; two horses and three riders—one of these a woman in need of protection—a dispatch to be delivered by daylight, at all hazards. It was indeed a difficult proposition, and I saw only a single possible solution. One of our number must press on; two of us must remain behind. Which one? what two? If I rode with the dispatch (and how eagerly I longed to do so!) and succeeded in bringing Lee's message safe to Longstreet, it meant much to me—promotion, distinction, honor. On the other hand, if I remained behind, and Craig successfully carried out the duty which had been especially intrusted to me, I should be fortunate indeed to escape with a reprimand instead of more serious consequences. If failure resulted, it meant certain and deserved disgrace. Yet I could absolutely trust him with the dispatch; he was a soldier, and would faithfully perform a soldier's duty. More, he would carry the message with even greater certainty than I, for he knew the roads much better, and—I write the words hesitatingly—I could not trust him there alone with the woman.

I glanced aside at him as I thus turned the perplexing situation over in my mind—a tall, gaunt mountaineer, whose sole discipline of mind and body had been the army; hardened by service until every muscle in his lean, sinewy frame was like steel, a cavalryman who would follow his leader into the very jaws of hell, but whose morals were those of the camp, and whose face revealed audacious deviltry such as no man would care to see in one to whom he intrusted the welfare of sister or wife.

"Sergeant," I asked, flinging aside the improvised brush, "how far do you suppose we are from Longstreet's picket line?"

"Ten miles at the very best, sir," he answered promptly, "an' I reckon with another Yankee outpost atween."

"With fair luck and good riding it might be made by daylight?"

"I reckon as how it might, captain, if we only hed sum fresh hosses," he said glumly; "but it's bin mighty hard on my nag; I've looked fer him to roll over like yer sorrel did fer the las' two mile."

"Well, Craig, you shall have both horses. Ride the woman's. It is the fresher of the two; but you are to get through if you kill them both and then walk."

His face brightened, and he raised his hand in salute.

"And you?" he asked, wonderingly.

"I remain with the woman; there is no other way. Wait here a moment while I speak with her."

I left him standing there, and moved back to where she waited. As I came up she faced me, and for the first time (for the night had lightened somewhat) I could see her eyes and discern some faint outline of her face where the night wind flung back the upturned cape. It was a winsome sight to soldier vision, but with a certain semblance of pride and reserve about it that caused a hesitancy in my speech strange to me.

"Madam,"—I rested my hand upon her horse's mane and looked at her with a glance as proud as her own—"it might be as well for you to draw the cape closer about your face at present. There are rough men in all armies who would consider your beauty a lawless prize. The life we lead is not conducive to gentleness; virtue is not born in camps, and it would be better not to provoke a danger which may be so easily avoided."

"You claimed, I believe, to be an officer and a gentleman," she said coldly.

I smiled, even as I felt the full chill of her words, and my purpose stiffened within me.

"Even as I yet claim, and trust to be able to prove to your satisfaction," —my eyes looked unfalteringly into hers—"but unfortunately, I have one with me tonight who is neither. I would that he were for my own sake. However, madam, let that pass. The fact is here, and we have no time to argue or quarrel. I have already told you that we ride with dispatches for Longstreet. These must go forward at all hazards, for thousands of human lives depend upon them; yet I dare not leave you here alone and unprotected to the mercies of the wolves who haunt these hills."

"You are exceedingly kind."

The tone in which she spoke was most sarcastic.

"I thank you for your approbation," and I bowed again; "but I venture to tell you this merely because I have already fully determined to dispatch the sergeant forward with the message, and remain behind myself to render you every protection possible."

"Very well, sir; I simply yield to what I am powerless to avoid, and will obey your orders however distasteful they may be. What is your first command?"

"That you dismount. The sergeant must ride your horse, as he is the more fit of the two."

Greatly to my surprise and relief she placed her gauntleted hand in mine, and, without so much as a word of protest, permitted me to swing her lightly from the saddle to the ground.

"Craig," I called, "come here.

"You know your work," I said to him briefly. "And now the sooner you are at it the better. Ride this horse and lead your own. As soon as you deliver Lee's message at headquarters, hunt up the cavalry brigade commander and report to him my position. Get a detail, insist upon one, and be back here by to-morrow without fail. That is all."

He saluted, wheeled about, swung lightly into saddle and rode off on a rapid trot, grasping, as he passed down the hill, the rein of his own mount, and leading it, lagging behind him, until the night swallowed the figures, and even the sound of the hoof-beats could be no longer heard. We were alone.

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